(b) the names of above bodies which have to be filled up; and

(c) what steps are being taken to involve and nominate effective people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) (1) The Advisory Committee on Public Distribution System.

(2) Central Consumer Protection Council.

3. Managing Committee of Super Bazar.

(4) Board of Diectors of Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corporation.

(5) Advisory Committees attached to the Bureau of Indian Standards, namely—

(i) Financial Committee

(ii) Certification Advisory Committee

(iii) Standadrs Advisory Committee

(iv) Laboratory Advisory Committee

(v) Planning and Development Advisory Committee

(vi) Legal Advisory Committee.

(b) and (c) The Bureau of Indian Standards has been reconstituted only in July, 1993. Members of all the Advisory Committees are taken from the Members of the Bureau.

Although there is a provision of nominating non-official Director on the Board of Directors of Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corporation, Governl ment has decided not to nominate any non-official Member on the Board for the present.

Opposition of Delhi Medical Association against appliction of Consumer Protection Act, 1986

3516. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Medical Associaion has threatened to launch an agitation against application of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 to medical professionals;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) and (b) As per news item appearing in the The Hindustan Times dated 8-8-93, private medical practioners observed a protect day on 7.7.1993 under the common banner of Delhi Medical Association against the Government's decision of bringing the medical profession under the Consumer Protection Act, 1986. As per another news item appearing in The Hindustan Times dated 18.8.-993, the Indian Medical Association has given a one-day country wide strike call on September 17 demanding that the Consumer Protection Act in the present from should not be made applicable to the medical profession.

(c) As per the provisions of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986, all services which are hired for a consideration, are covered under the said Act. The National Consumer Disputes Redressal, Commission, the apex court set up under the Consumer Protection Act, has also held

that the services rendered by medical profession for a consideration are covered under the Act. The Government does not propose to interfere with the decision of the National Commission.

Need to set up more consumer fora

3517 SHRI GOPAL SINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Call to form more consumer Fora" which appeared in Hindustan Times dated the 8th May, 1993;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to set-up more consumer redressal fora and commissions for disposal of increasing number of complaints and claims under the CPA against Super Bazar; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Government has promulgated the Consumer Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1993 on 18.6.1993 which enables the State Governments and UT Administrations to set up more than one District Forum in a District depending upon the workload. However, there is no provision to set up more than one State Commission in a State in the Ordinance. The Act does not provide for setting up of State Commission District Forum specifically for claims against Super Bazar.

Supply of foodgrains to Rajasthan

3518 SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the food grains and the quantum thereof that have been provided to the State of Rajasthan for public distribution during the months of July-August-1993 till date particularly in rain-hit remote and inaccessible areas;

(b) whether the total quantum of foodgrains so provided have actually been made available in the inaccessible areas during rainy season, if so, the details thereof and when; and

(c) what is the quantum of coare grains out of this total foodgrains which was made available to these areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (c) Quantity allotted to Rajasthan in July, August and September, 1993 of rice, wheat and jowar is given below:

(Quantity in '000 tonnes)

	July	August	September
Rice	11.50	11.50	11.50
Wheat	95.00	95.00	95.00
Jowar	5.00	5.00	5.00